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SUBJECT: TOGO FAMILY HEALTH TRAINING AND SERVICES

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1. HAVE MANAGED THROUGH THIRD PARTIES TO GAIN ACCESS TO TOGO'S FIVE YEAR PLAN AND NATIONAL BUDGET FOR 1976. OUR ANALYSIS OF DOCUMENTS NOW GOING ON.

2. SINCE EARLY DECEMBER, ADO/NIAMEY-LOME HAS BEEN ASSISTED IN REVISING PROJECT PAPER BY CATHY CURRAN, PEACE CORPS HEALTH PROGRAMMER, WHO JUST COMPLETED 3-YEAR TOGO TOUR. PROJECT PAPER MODIFICATIONS INCORPORATE CHANGES PROPOSED BY PROJECT COMMITTEE, ECPR, TOGOLESE OFFICIALS AND OTHER DONORS. IN ADDITION TO UP-DATING AND EXPANDING UPON HEALTH-SEX EDUCATION SECTION, MS. CURRAN HAS ASSISTED IN REFINING PROJECT BUDGET, DEFINING LABORATORY REQUIREMENTS, AND IN DRAFTING FULL DESCRIPTION OTHER ACTIVITIES IN HEALTH SECTOR. WITH ASSISTANCE FROM POPULATION COUNCIL DEMOGRAPHERS LESTHAEGHE AND PAGE AND BOSTON UNIVERSITY SOCIOLOGIST JOHN MOGEY DURING WEEK JANUARY 6-9, WE HAVE THOROUGHLY REVISED EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BOTH SERVICE AND DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS. MINISTRY OF HEALTH HAS PRESENTED TO US ALTERNATIVE SITE (500 METERS BY 110 METERS) FOR LOME FAMILY HEALTH CENTER IN GBEGNEDJI SECTION OF LOME.

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3. IN ADDRESSING CONCERN SUGGESTED IN ECPR THAT AID BEING ASKED IN

THIS PROJECT TO BUILD JUST ANOTHER CURATIVE HEALTH CLINIC, AND AN URBAN ONE AT THAT, WE HAVE HAD SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH GOT POLICY MAKERS AND TECHNICIANS IN MINISTRIES OF HEALTH AND EDUCATION. MINISTRY OF PLAN PROGRAM STAFF ALSO REVIEWING PROJECT DESIGN. TO ASSURE OURSELVES FURTHER THAT TOGOLESE UNDER- STAND OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE OF PROJECT, WE DEVELOPED DOZEN POSTERS COVERING PROJECT COMPONENTS: PROJECT OBJECTIVES AND EOPS; OVERALL ORGANIZATION OF PROJECT; LOME FAMILY HEALTH CENTER ORGANIZATION, STAFFING AND FUNCTIONS; SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM; RURAL HEALTH OUTREACH SERVICES; INTERMINISTERIAL COMMITTEE; EVALUATION SYSTEMS; BUDGET, ETC. POSTERS THEMSELVES AND ACCOMPANYING DISCUSSIONS LEAVE NO DOUBT THAT PROJECT FOCUS IS ON PREVENTIVE CARE IN RURAL AREAS AND PROVISION OF CHILD SPACING SERVICES. MAGNITUDE TOGO'S PERSONNEL AND FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION CLEARLY ACCEPTED. MEETINGS WERE HELD WITH SECRETARY GENERAL OF HEALTH BODJONA (JANUARY 12), SECRETARY GENERAL OF EDUCATION ATTIGNON (JANUARY 9), NEW DIRECTOR BASIC HEALTH SERVICES, DR. BARANDAO-BAKELE (JANUARY 16), NEW DIRECTOR PRIMARY EDUCATION AMEDEGNATO (JANUARY 19), DIRECTOR NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HYGIE E DR. D'ALMEIDA (DEC 28), AND DIRECTOR OF UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL, DR. KEKEH (DEC 29). WITHOUT EXCEPTION, OFFICIALS REAFFIRMED THAT PROJECT WAS IMPORTANT FOR TOGO AND THAT THEIR RESPECTIVE MINISTRIES WERE PREPARED TO MAKE REQUIRED CONTRIBUTIONS. ATTIGNON EMPHASIZED HOW PROJECT IS SIGNIFICANT INSTRUMENT FOR CARRYING OUT TOGO EDUCATIONAL REFORMS ANNOUNCED IN 1975 WHICH CALL FOR HEALTH AND SEX EDUCATION TO BE PROVIDED AT ALL SCHOOL LEVELS.

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